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Title: A METHOD OF DETECTING THE PRESENCE OF AN ANALYTE IN A BIOLOGICAL  
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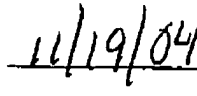
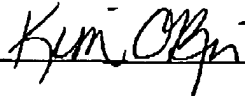
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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the Patent Office on May 19, 2004. A Petition for a three-month extension is enclosed. Please amend the subject patent application as described below.

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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 16 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 21 of this paper.

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